



PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SEPTEMBER 14, 2010

MEDIA CONTACT:

Steven R. Hardiman II

Public Information Officer / Department of Public Works

Office of Mayor Greg Ballard – City of Indianapolis

steve.hardiman@indy.gov P: (317) 327-2053 C: (317) 223-1065

www.indy.gov - [Newsletter](#) - [Facebook](#) - [Twitter](#) - [Flickr](#)

SNOW REMOVAL CONTRACTORS SOUGHT FOR 2010 – 2011 SNOW SEASON MINORITY, WOMEN AND VETERAN OWNED VENDORS ENCOURAGED TO APPLY

INDIANAPOLIS – The Department of Public Works (DPW) has begun recruiting qualified residential snow contractors to support its snow removal efforts in the coming winter. Minority, women and veteran owned businesses are encouraged to apply.

“Continued expansion of the City’s contract snow fleet is essential to improving service to taxpayers, while keeping costs down,” said Mayor Greg Ballard. “Additionally, these positions create more job opportunities during the winter season and help to bolster our local economy. With that in mind, we want to ensure the availability of these opportunities to all qualified vendors.”

As part of the City’s enhanced snow removal program, DPW upgraded its residential snow contractor fleet last year by more than 80 percent. This allowed the availability of an additional 300 pieces of equipment in snow fights of six inches or more.

Indy Snowforce plows more than 6,000 lane miles of City streets in an average snow event. More than 150 pieces of equipment, including 91 salt trucks, can be mobilized during these events. In snowfalls of six inches or more, the City plows residential areas to assist residents in gaining access to and from their neighborhoods. This adds an additional 4,000 lane miles of streets to the City’s already extensive work load. The use of snow contractors allows the City to more than double the snow fleet at a moment’s notice for increased service. Additionally, snow contractors can more safely navigate narrow residential streets than larger City snow trucks.

Interested vendors are required to have a truck with a plow and must meet all insurance requirements.

For more information, interested individuals should contact Contract Compliance Officer Alice Droeger at 317.327.5773 or by email at alice.droeger@indy.gov.

###